

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - FEBRUARY, 1963

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State: at 30.6.1962

Males - 384,132 Females - 370,345 Persons - 754,477

Metropolitan: at 30.6.1962

Persons - 431,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	JANUARY				Twelve Months ended DECEMBER			
	1963		1962		1962		1961	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	611	9.40	596	9.40	5,469	7.25	5,150	6.98
Births	1,635	25.15	1,516	23.90	17,036	22.57	17,078	23.16
Deaths	537	8.26	559	8.81	5,826	7.72	5,729	7.77
Infant Mortality (b)	43	26.30	40	26.39	388	22.78	336	19.67

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births.

(b) Deaths under one year.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY		JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962
Oversea	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
5,691	3,720	32,602	27,229	12,800	16,938	71,673	90,890	
Interstate	13,332	13,340	81,689	66,693	4,277	4,109	25,831	25,735
Total:	19,023	17,060	114,291	93,922	17,077	21,047	97,504	116,625

LAND SETTLEMENT

Crown Land Transactions	FEBRUARY		Two Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Land Conditionally Alienated Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	acres 20,173 2,515,253	acres 38,049 128,216	acres 98,660 2,518,596	acres 108,819 1,415,702

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE : CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Revenue	£ 5,898,416	£ 6,104,717	£ 47,177,366	£ 49,487,409
Revenue per Head of Population	7.7	8.2	62.0	66.6
Expenditure	£ 6,609,403	£ 5,580,019	£ 51,676,047	£ 49,740,584
Expenditure per Head of Population	8.6	7.5	67.9	67.0

SAVINGS BANKS

Amounts due to Depositors	At the end of FEBRUARY		
	1963	1962	1961
Total	£ 99,393,598	£ 86,693,872	£ 79,882,802
Per Head of Population	129.4	115.8	109.1

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (£ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1961	25.5	22.7	23.4	23.5	24.0	21.6	23.1	21.6	23.2	24.6	23.8	26.9
1962	25.9	26.5	26.4	24.8	25.9	24.1	26.3	24.6	24.8	27.2	26.3	27.1
1963	30.4	25.8										

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds	FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Transfers	No. 2,121	£ 5,885,272	1,771 4,152,019	16,185 38,190,548
Mortgages	No. 1,493	£ 3,667,996	1,323 2,984,314	12,366 30,869,469
Discharges of Mortgages	No. 1,187		1,177	9,277 23,401,672 8,465

SALE OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Sales Exempt from Tax	£'000 12,596	£'000 11,830	£'000 111,223	£'000 95,091
Net Taxable Sales	5,739	6,002	47,041	41,005
Tax Collected	750	911	6,358	6,038

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company	FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Local	No.	20	18	318
Nominal Capital	£	2,111,000	835,000	28,111,000
Foreign	No.	27	14	121
				237 19,338,000 126

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Eight Months ended FEBRUARY					
	1963			1962		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
Sequestration Orders	113	186,674	33,364	97	202,991	75,469
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement (a)	50	804,752	887,903	63	392,734	298,185

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

RAILWAY OPERATIONS

The State Government Railways (including the Railway Road Service)

Item	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Gross Earnings £	1,465,000	1,423,600	9,023,600	9,987,200
Operating Expenses £	1,273,430	1,294,607	8,983,893	9,221,123
Train Miles Run	643,406	666,256	4,307,593	4,640,417
Motor Bus Miles	(a) 133,131	(b) 124,876	(c) 958,482	(d) 886,611
<u>Passenger Journeys</u> -				
Train	889,043	897,587	6,735,399	6,905,261
Motor Bus	23,482	22,474	159,362	151,580
<u>Tonnage Carried</u> -				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	431,762	427,814	2,363,529	2,868,041
Free (Departmental)	40,582	64,859	359,679	349,356
Livestock	9,063	8,809	83,801	83,379
Total	481,407	501,482	2,807,009	3,300,776
<u>Net Ton Mileage of</u> -				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	68,219,116	66,175,764	379,426,762	438,062,476
Free (Departmental)	3,681,982	4,959,991	36,401,936	37,886,239
Livestock	1,097,354	1,101,186	11,651,807	11,895,775
Total	72,998,452	72,236,941	427,480,505	487,844,490

(a) 4 weeks ended 26th January
(b) 4 weeks ended 27th January

(c) Period 1st July to 26th January
(d) Period 1st July to 27th January

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item	JANUARY		Twelve Months ended DECEMBER	
	1963	1962	1962	1961
Quantity	Fine oz.	66,551	69,687	860,039
Value (Aust. Currency)	£	1,039,858	1,088,852	13,438,119
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	£	-	-	2,085,802
				2,185,783

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1958	5,794	762	1,942	15	1,306	9,548	1,290	4,784	43	1,860
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1960	8,172	1,774	2,403	27	1,053	12,713	2,951	5,655	66	1,470
1961	6,947	1,871	2,221	30	591	10,670	3,228	5,104	70	903
1962	11,161	3,220	2,786	47	651	16,670	5,151	6,036	106	898
<u>1962 -</u>										
January	635	166	158	-	75	979	290	390	4	94
February	759	172	246	4	63	1,105	302	486	17	92
March	848	237	271	3	68	1,208	389	577	8	94
April	737	182	205	4	40	1,122	300	456	8	64
May	980	295	281	6	68	1,354	418	552	13	87
June	1,173	274	282	3	41	1,669	447	538	8	71
July	778	250	238	6	42	1,206	386	529	8	62
August	1,131	329	214	5	37	1,709	475	457	7	54
September	976	328	214	2	46	1,473	520	462	11	59
October	1,140	386	232	4	71	1,696	576	572	6	94
November	1,051	348	248	4	40	1,619	580	561	6	56
December	953	253	197	6	60	1,530	468	456	10	71
<u>1963 -</u>										
January	893	271	161	3	65	1,348	422	361	11	92

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
<u>1958 -</u>								
June	69,414	24,217	553	8,580	110,573	65,046	1,190	12,827
December	73,190	24,908	545	8,759	114,685	65,582	1,177	12,935
<u>1959 -</u>								
June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
<u>1960 -</u>								
June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609
December	86,582	26,507	561	9,068	134,220	70,320	1,220	13,097
<u>1961 -</u>								
June	89,189	26,699	565	8,703	138,187	70,908	1,237	12,689
December	93,110	27,135	576	8,486	143,827	71,934	1,264	12,244
<u>1962 -</u>								
June	97,977	27,490	585	8,285	151,013	73,454	1,294	12,052
December	105,559	28,174	605	8,093	160,460	74,492	1,303	11,632
<u>1963 -</u>								
January	107,359	28,392	604	8,064	159,265	72,640	1,190	11,281

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

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Period	New Houses and Flats				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total	
No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
1960-61	4,791	1,327	6,118	18,860	6,566	7,531	14,097	24,924	11,143	36,067
1961-62	5,016	1,867	6,883	21,711	6,010	8,690	14,700	25,365	14,468	39,883
<u>1962:</u>										
February	461	199	660	2,015	373	279	652	2,045	884	2,929
March	468	254	722	2,177	472	615	1,087	2,199	1,346	3,545
April	388	106	494	1,595	630	267	897	2,154	598	2,752
May	499	104	603	1,935	487	760	1,247	2,427	1,158	3,585
June	405	81	486	1,638	577	962	1,539	2,201	1,250	3,451
July	500	116	616	1,985	1,035	1,021	2,056	2,952	1,407	4,359
August	444	148	592	2,060	794	515	1,309	2,838	941	3,779
September	458	125	583	1,904	475	462	937	2,347	825	3,172
October	540	225	765	2,367	691	575	1,266	2,895	1,122	4,017
November	375	114	489	1,615	584	286	870	2,155	627	2,782
December	376	52	428	1,423	647	558	1,205	2,160	726	2,886
<u>1963:</u>										
January	374	115	489	1,587	462	253	715	2,027	569	2,596
February	528	74	602	1,859	956	121	1,057	2,915	342	3,257

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the following two tables cover the operations of all builders who accept contracts for the construction of new buildings, "day-labour" building by Government Agencies and the activities of "Owner-Builders".

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings (a)				Factories			Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc.								
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000	
1958	1,371	3,884	4,638	13,978	146	1,851	714	10,735	6,869	30,448	
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376	
1960	1,103	3,013	5,363	16,859	161	2,224	814	11,797	7,441	33,893	
1961	1,075	2,963	5,258	17,272	126	1,744	858	10,965	7,317	32,944	
1962	989	2,902	6,035	21,615	167	1,673	970	15,799	8,161	41,989	
<u>1962 -</u>											
March Qr.	278	778	1,117	3,717	29	217	230	2,977	1,654	7,689	
June Qr.	247	743	1,451	5,201	34	316	220	3,754	1,952	10,014	
Sept. Qr.	202	666	1,725	5,844	53	597	261	5,632	2,241	12,739	
Dec. Qr.	262	715	1,742	6,853	51	543	259	3,436	2,314	11,547	

(a) Includes Shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residential excluded from Table (2) below.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Includes Owner-Built Houses)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified according to Material of Outer Walls										
	Brick, Stone Cement etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total		
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000	
1958	3,764	12,501	41	115	1,935	4,547	3	4	5,743	17,167	
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178	
1960	4,582	14,972	21	60	1,573	3,911	5	7	6,181	18,950	
1961	4,287	14,834	15	32	1,459	3,820	103	82	5,864	18,768	
1962	5,070	17,836	91	395	1,320	3,676	15	26	6,496	21,933	
<u>1962 -</u>											
March Qr.	984	3,367	9	20	324	850	3	4	1,320	4,241	
June Qr.	1,244	4,291	59	314	324	947	4	8	1,631	5,560	
Sept. Qr.	1,446	5,141	8	21	322	904	3	9	1,779	6,075	
Dec. Qr.	1,396	5,037	15	40	350	975	5	5	1,766	6,057	

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of Each Index Series : Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Combined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Miscellaneous	
Year ended June						
1958	114.4	105.7	126.0	105.7	118.3	113.6
1959	115.2	107.2	130.3	105.9	118.7	114.7
1960	118.4	108.2	133.5	107.1	120.9	116.9
1961	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1962	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
Quarters:						
1961 - March	125.3	110.9	143.5	107.4	125.8	121.9
June	126.4	111.6	144.8	107.0	125.6	122.4
September	123.8	111.6	145.1	107.5	125.7	121.7
December	122.5	111.9	145.5	107.4	125.5	121.3
1962 - March	123.4	111.8	147.1	107.1	124.9	121.5
June	124.2	111.5	147.8	107.2	124.9	121.8
September	124.7	111.7	148.8	107.2	124.8	122.1
December	122.8	111.8	150.9	106.9	124.9	121.7

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestics and Personnel in Defence Forces.)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
1961:				1962 (Cont.):			
February	143.1	50.4	193.5	February	145.0	51.0	196.0
March	143.1	50.7	193.8	March	146.3	52.1	198.4
April	143.3	50.8	194.1	April	145.6	52.0	197.6
May	142.8	50.6	193.4	May	146.4	52.1	198.5
June	142.2	49.9	192.1	June	146.5	51.9	198.4
July	142.0	49.9	191.9	July	146.5	52.1	198.6
August	142.9	49.9	192.8	August	146.5	52.1	198.6
September	143.6	50.1	193.7	September	147.3	52.6	199.9
October	143.0	50.4	193.4	October	147.2	52.6	199.8
November	143.9	51.0	194.9	November	147.9	53.5	201.4
December	143.5	50.7	194.2	December	148.9	52.9	201.8
1962:				1963:			
January	144.3	50.5	194.8	January	149.1	52.4	201.5

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1961 are subject to revision.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
January	232	231	229	234	242	244	253
February	235	233	231	237	241	246	
March	236	234	233	238	241	247	
April	234	233	233	237	241	245	
May	234	230	232	238	239	247	
June	231	228	229	237	236	246	
July	229	229	231	239	234	247	
August	229	229	232	240	237	247	
September	232	230	233	243	240	249	
October	232	232	234	242	241	250	
November	233	231	235	244	242	251	
December	232	231	235	243	242	253	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1961 are subject to revision.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

Period	Registered for Employment (a)			Persons receiving Benefits (b)				Amount Paid in Benefits			
				Unemployment	Sickness	Special		Unemployment	Sickness	Special	
	Males	Females	Persons			Ordinary	Migrants			Ordinary	Migrants
1957-58	4,349	1,073	5,422	2,330	508	101	-	482,735	130,959	18,322	-
1958-59	5,122	1,239	6,361	2,852	594	125	-	654,160	159,230	23,110	-
1959-60	4,021	1,217	5,238	2,512	700	135	-	564,492	163,528	23,897	-
1960-61	3,753	1,241	4,991	2,154	665	148	-	479,159	153,348	22,196	-
1961-62	4,168	1,610	5,778	2,932	685	151	-	726,082	190,706	26,705	-
1962 February	4,713	2,064	6,777	2,811	600	151	-	59,485	14,789	2,272	-
March	3,479	2,067	5,546	2,544	684	161	-	61,634	18,827	2,765	-
April	3,283	1,887	5,170	2,646	861	153	-	54,165	18,966	2,601	-
May	3,249	1,761	5,010	2,428	732	135	-	59,038	18,033	2,529	-
June	3,570	1,750	5,320	2,667	714	127	-	55,309	19,437	2,336	-
July	3,835	1,747	5,582	2,789	740	130	-	66,587	20,514	2,543	-
August	3,327	1,654	4,981	2,511	766	136	-	68,149	21,787	2,671	-
September	3,124	1,487	4,611	2,094	802	129	-	52,315	17,861	2,144	-
October	2,978	1,484	4,462	2,051	814	133	69	50,778	23,298	2,615	506
November	3,649	2,108	5,757	2,059	789	137	131	49,268	19,299	2,318	1,403
December	4,431	2,303	6,734	2,945	767	125	30	55,849	20,379	2,330	926
1963 January	5,444	2,746	8,190	3,315	741	130	22	69,574	20,093	2,178	1,089
February	4,539	2,583	7,122	3,094	813	131	-	68,096	21,124	2,019	98

(a) Source: Department of Labour and National Service. Annual figures are the average of numbers registered at the end of each month.

(b) On the last Saturday of each month. Annual figures are the average of persons at end of each week.

STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area			South-West Land Division			Goldfields and Rest of State	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
30/10/61(a)	14. 18. 9	11. 4. 1	14. 17. 3	11. 2. 11	14. 11. 6	10. 18. 8		

(a) The rates declared to operate from this date have not subsequently been varied.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

(1) SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
January, 1963	21,151	1,968	121,144	52,732	16,947
1962	13,975	1,470	110,754	57,638	20,079
7 Months ended January, 1963	155,949	14,773	986,859	594,665	154,806
1962	123,099	10,135	859,495	754,483	159,233

(2) MEAT PRODUCTION (a) (Tons)

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork
January, 1963	4,032	87	2,209	743	861
1962	2,858	69	2,133	825	1,017
7 Months ended January, 1963	30,805	676	18,179	8,134	7,571
1962	26,404	474	16,750	10,922	8,123

(a) Dressed carcass weight of livestock slaughtered for local consumption and export - includes meat used in smallgoods, canned meat, and bacon and ham.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area.

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State
1958	6,614	8,691	2,412	3,451	9,026	12,142	80	183	2,990	4,478
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
1960	7,180	9,559	2,598	3,713	9,778	13,272	94	199	3,289	4,862
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
1962	4,482	6,556	2,586	3,685	7,068	10,241	83	177	3,425	5,077
<u>1962</u>										
January	338	505	187	292	525	797	6	26	239	396
February	340	472	220	304	560	776	6	12	276	399
March	347	503	223	324	570	827	9	17	285	424
April	364	515	169	268	533	783	8	20	225	396
May	392	585	216	303	608	888	9	17	275	403
June	352	510	216	297	568	807	9	16	272	397
July	430	621	230	317	660	938	6	9	330	454
August	349	545	185	261	534	806	5	10	246	354
September	394	569	208	298	602	867	5	7	265	396
October	392	580	220	315	612	895	5	11	292	424
November	408	573	239	338	647	911	8	15	305	449
December	375	578	272	368	647	946	7	17	414	585
<u>1963</u>										
January	309	484	205	291	514	775	7	12	265	394

(a) Non-casualty accidents prior to 1961 exclude those where estimated damage was £10 or less; from January, 1961 they exclude those where estimated damage was £25 or less.

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1962												1963	
		Fob.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
		s. d.	s. d.												
FRUIT															
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	26. 0	20. 1	19. 2	15. 0	10. 4	10. 5	8. 1	9. 8	9. 4	12. 0	14. 3	15. 1	13. 1	
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	47. 1	36. 0	22. 2	27. 11	31. 11	35. 2	-	-	-	-	-	
- Val.	bush.	31. 0	30. 11	43. 5	30. 9	-	-	-	23. 10	22. 7	21. 7	21. 8	24. 9	24. 9	
Bananas - Local	lb.	9	10	11	11	1. 2	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 0	1. 1	1. 3	1. 10	
Apples - G. Smith	bush.	-	20. 6	25. 10	26. 0	28. 5	32. 5	30. 11	49. 9	51. 6	49. 6	49. 1	-	-	
- Other	bush.	27. 7	25. 2	33. 7	34. 0	37. 8	48. 2	54. 10	62. 3	64. 0	67. 8	57. 5	31. 1	22. 0	
Pears	bush.	20. 9	19. 4	19. 0	20. 2	25. 6	22. 4	-	-	-	-	-	23. 10	18. 2	
Apricots	bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40. 0	30. 8	36. 3	-	
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	29. 0	25. 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28. 1	26. 2	
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	29. 10	34. 11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35. 10	27. 8	18. 0
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	21. 0	20. 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23. 5	29. 10	20. 10
Grapes	Open flat cases	23. 0	22. 5	22. 2	27. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33. 0	25. 4	17. 0
VEGETABLES															
Cabbage	crate	15. 4	10. 4	6. 6	4. 11	5. 11	14. 2	10. 2	12. 0	8. 3	4. 7	4. 5	10. 8	8. 0	
Cauliflowers	dozen	18. 0	26. 8	9. 0	16. 0	24. 1	24. 1	9. 2	10. 5	22. 11	18. 1	17. 2	-	17. 10	
Lettuce	crate	24. 5	11. 7	7. 1	7. 10	9. 9	20. 5	12. 10	5. 9	5. 11	6. 2	11. 1	11. 7	11. 7	
Table Celery	doz. head	11. 3	12. 0	8. 0	4. 6	4. 7	7. 2	9. 0	8. 5	7. 7	10. 9	7. 7	9. 9	10. 11	
Beetroot	cwt.	38. 3	36. 3	28. 5	23. 5	23. 3	33. 6	31. 9	39. 10	39. 6	22. 6	16. 9	20. 11	25. 3	
Carrots	cwt.	36. 0	34. 0	40. 9	30. 1	23. 6	19. 10	20. 7	26. 0	35. 4	34. 8	31. 1	57. 1	54. 11	
Parsnips	cwt.	76. 6	69. 5	67. 6	66. 1	63. 8	47. 8	40. 9	35. 0	38. 11	28. 4	33. 9	44. 2	49. 0	
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	12. 10	7. 3	5. 3	6. 3	8. 7	17. 3	7. 6	4. 10	5. 2	5. 2	5. 10	6. 11	13. 9	
Swedes	cwt.	55. 10	46. 4	31. 9	34. 7	42. 0	35. 9	28. 6	24. 0	32. 6	24. 10	23. 4	39. 3	52. 11	
Runner Beans	lb.	1. 8	8	9	1. 0	1. 2	1. 2	1. 5	1. 3	1. 1	10	8	8	10	
Peas	lb.	1. 9	1. 9	1. 1	1. 4	1. 8	1. 7	1. 1	10	10	10	10	1. 11	1. 8	
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	7	5	5	4	4	5	5	6	5	4	4	5	5	
Pumpkin	bag	22. 1	23. 11	23. 11	20. 4	20. 2	21. 10	19. 2	21. 11	21. 3	25. 2	38. 9	48. 4	26. 8	
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	27. 6	21. 9	11. 8	10. 1	25. 11	33. 1	27. 8	21. 3	24. 2	27. 8	23. 8	21. 10	21. 3	
Onions (a)	ton	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	50. 0.0	55. 0.0	55. 0.0	50. 0.0	40. 0.0	(b)	(b)	30. 0.0	25. 0.0	35. 0.0	
Potatoes (c)	ton	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	37. 15.0	

(a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area.

(b) Onion Pool closed.

(c) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

Note - A price has not been shown where the volume of sales of a particular item was not significant for that month.

Item	1962												1963	
	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	
	£. s. d.													
SHEEP														
Suckers	-	-	-	-	4.16. 5	5. 1. 8	3.17. 1	3. 2. 9	3. 1.10	3. 5. 3	3. 2. 1	-	-	
Lambs														
In Wool	-	-	4.15. 3	4.16. 0	5.12. 8	5. 9. 0	3.19. 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	3.12. 4	4. 2. 3	3.17. 5	4. 0. 6	4.10. 8	4. 4.10	3. 4. 2	-	2.10. 2	3. 0. 7	3. 9. 1	3.12. 6	4. 1. 5	
Hoggets														
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	3. 4. 7	3.11.11	-	3.16. 9	-	-	-	2.12. 3	2.12. 6	2.16.11	-	3. 6. 0	3.15. 8	
Ewes														
In Wool	-	-	-	-	3.16. 8	3.18.10	3. 4. 7	-	2. 6. 5	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	2.12. 0	2.12. 3	2.14.10	3. 4. 8	2.18.10	2.16. 2	2. 3. 4	1.18. 9	1.14. 0	1.14. 7	1.14. 2	2. 6. 0	2.12. 0	
Wethers														
In Wool	-	3.16. 5	4. 0. 5	3.15. 9	4. 6. 0	4.14. 3	3.18. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	3. 2. 7	3. 2. 9	2.19. 7	3. 5. 6	3. 3. 8	3.11. 8	2. 8. 0	2.10. 8	2. 6. 8	2. 7.10	2. 7. 4	2.16. 4	3. 1. 7	
CATTLE														
Baby Beef	33.17.11	34.17. 8	34. 0. 1	34.19. 4	36. 6. 3	35.18. 9	38.14. 6	38.14. 4	37.13.10	34. 9. 4	32.19. 1	32.10. 9	31. 8. 8	
Heifers	34.12. 5	36.14. 5	-	36. 6. 6	40.16. 0	43.10.11	42.14.10	40.14.11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cows	40.18. 8	42.18.11	44. 0. 4	42. 6. 9	45.10. 5	42.10. 8	45.18. 7	43. 8. 8	40.12. 0	39.14. 0	38.18. 1	39.12. 3	38.16. 0	
Steers	45. 9.11	45.15. 4	47.11. 5	45.16. 2	54. 0.10	52. 5. 3	50. 3. 7	49.14. 7	44. 8. 0	45. 8. 9	45.12.11	44.10.10	43.17. 9	
Bullocks	-	-	-	-	63. 9. 3	56.16. 4	58.14. 7	52.12. 0	51. 2. 5	53.15. 5	53.19. 9	55. 7. 6	-	
PIGS														
Slips	3.11. 8	-	-	-	-	3.15. 0	4.15. 6	6. 1. 3	-	-	-	-	-	
Porkers	8. 1. 6	8.10. 4	8. 4. 1	8. 3.11	8.17. 6	8.17.10	9. 9. 6	10.12. 7	10.15. 0	11. 3. 4	10.11. 0	10.15. 2	11. 4. 0	
Baconers	11. 0. 4	12.13. 4	12. 0. 7	11.14. 1	12.18. 6	13.16. 2	14. 8.11	14.16.11	15.11. 4	16. 2. 7	15. 5. 8	15. 9. 2	15.13. 0	

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVEWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	-	-	3. 5	3. 2	3. 3	3. 4	3. 4	3. 3	2.10	2.10	3. 1	-	-
" Cocks	-	3. 4	3. 4	3. 1	3. 3	3. 3	3. 3	3. 2	3. 1	3. 0	3. 0	-	-
Ducks	2. 2	2. 1	1.10	1.10	1.11	2. 2	2. 3	2. 6	2. 8	2.11	3. 5	2. 4	2. 3
Drakes	2. 1	2. 1	1.11	1.10	2. 0	2. 1	2. 3	2. 6	2. 9	3. 1	3. 4	2. 4	2. 4
Geese	-	-	-	2. 0	1.10	-	1. 8	-	1. 7	-	2. 0	-	-
Cockerels	2. 8	2.10	3. 0	2.10	2. 9	2. 9	2. 8	2. 6	2. 5	2. 7	2. 5	2. 1	2. 1
Caponers	2.10	3. 0	3. 1	3. 0	3. 0	2.11	2.10	2. 8	2. 6	2. 7	2. 6	2. 3	2. 2
Hens	1. 9	2. 0	2. 2	1.11	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	1.11	2. 0	1.11	1.11

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES

(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1960-61	14,568	2,021	7,789	24,378	38,050
1961-62	15,175	2,634	*6,503	*24,312	*38,052
Quarters -					
1961 - September	3,151	380	*1,666	*5,197	*37,467
December	3,520	1,041	*1,979	*6,540	*38,613
1962 - March	3,815	595	1,421	5,831	36,917
June	4,689	618	1,437	6,744	38,052
September	4,829	431	1,566	6,826	39,583
ALL OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (b)					
1960-61	1,155	43	*6,492	*7,690	5,982
1961-62	1,194	49	*6,244	*7,487	8,193
Quarters -					
1961 - September	223	14	*1,506	*1,743	6,358
December	240	11	1,614	1,865	7,006
1962 - March	352	11	1,445	1,808	7,435
June	379	13	1,679	2,071	8,193
September	435	1	1,491	1,927	8,582
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1960-61	15,723	2,064	*14,281	*32,068	44,032
1961-62	16,369	2,683	*12,747	*31,799	*46,245
Quarters -					
1961 - September	3,374	394	*3,172	*6,940	*43,825
December	3,760	1,052	*3,593	*8,405	*45,619
1962 - March	4,167	606	2,866	7,639	44,352
June	5,068	631	3,116	8,815	46,245
September	5,264	432	3,057	8,753	48,165

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc. * Revised.

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Collections during period (including Hiring Charges etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)		
	New	Used				
1960-61	13,491	1,565	2,431	17,487	20,570	25,511
1961-62	14,290	2,298	2,299	18,887	22,425	26,969
1962 - January	565	649	121	222	1,557	2,179
February	576	545	150	169	1,440	3,006
March	710	602	255	152	1,719	1,915
April	669	636	197	145	1,647	1,540
May	995	713	211	189	2,108	1,850
June	757	743	125	177	1,802	1,651
July	755	832	104	143	1,834	1,741
August	636	858	115	188	1,797	1,781
September	785	810	147	199	1,941	1,779
October	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	30,000(c)
November	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	31,300(c)
December	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	31,900(c)

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (b) Not yet available! (c) Preliminary estimates, subject to revision.

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(£ million)

Period (a)	Grocer- ies	Butchers' Meat	Other Food- stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Foot- wesr	Hardware, China and Glass- ware (b)	Elect- rical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture Floor Coverings Mattresses	Chem- ists' Goods	News- papers, Books, Station- ery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Veh- icles, Trac- tors, Parts, Petrol, etc. (d)
1957-58	27.4	12.0	19.4	19.5	28.6(e)	(e)	10.1	18.2	6.5	(f)	(f)	31.8(f)	163.5	56.9
1958-59	28.7	11.1	19.4	18.4	25.1	4.3	10.7	8.7	6.5	5.6	4.7	21.2	164.4	55.3
1959-60	30.8	11.6	21.7	19.1	27.4	4.7	11.9	13.8	7.7	6.0	4.9	22.6	182.2	66.7
1960-61	32.6	12.4	22.6	20.6	27.7	5.0	12.4	15.5	7.8	6.7	5.0	23.5	191.8	68.7
1961-62	35.1	12.9	23.5	21.1	29.0	5.1	13.0	14.2	8.4	7.1	5.4	24.7	199.5	75.1
Sept. Qr.														
1957	6.6	3.1	4.5	4.2	6.7(e)	(e)	2.5	1.9	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.0(f)	38.1	13.7
1958	7.0	2.8	4.5	4.0	6.0	1.0	2.5	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	4.4	38.1	13.1
1959	7.5	2.9	4.9	4.2	6.3	1.1	2.7	2.5	1.7	1.4	1.1	4.5	40.8	14.8
1960	7.7	3.0	5.3	4.4	6.7	1.2	3.0	3.9	2.1	1.6	1.1	4.9	44.9	18.3
1961	8.6	3.2	5.5	4.5	7.2	1.2	3.1	3.5	2.0	1.7	1.2	4.8	46.5	16.3
1962	8.8	3.4	5.8	4.8	7.2	1.2	3.5	3.4	2.2	1.9	1.3	5.3	48.8	20.8
Dec. Qr.														
1957	7.2	3.0	5.0	5.3	8.5(e)	(e)	2.9	2.6	1.8	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	44.4	14.9
1958	7.6	2.7	5.0	5.2	7.2	1.2	3.0	2.9	1.8	1.5	1.3	5.2	44.6	14.1
1959	8.0	2.9	5.6	5.2	7.8	1.3	3.3	3.6	2.1	1.6	1.4	5.5	48.3	17.1
1960	8.6	3.1	5.9	5.8	8.0	1.4	3.6	4.2	2.3	1.8	1.4	5.8	51.9	18.7
1961	9.4	3.3	6.1	5.9	8.1	1.4	3.6	4.1	2.3	1.9	1.5	6.1	53.7	18.5
March Qr.														
1958	6.7	2.9	5.0	5.4	6.0(e)	(e)	2.4	2.0	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.5(f)	40.4	14.2
1959	7.0	2.7	5.2	5.0	5.1	0.9	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.2	5.5	40.0	13.9
1960	7.5	2.8	5.8	5.2	6.0	1.0	2.9	3.6	1.9	1.4	1.3	6.3	45.7	16.9
1961	8.0	3.1	6.1	5.9	5.7	1.1	2.9	3.6	1.6	1.6	1.3	6.6	47.5	15.7
1962	8.4	3.1	6.2	5.9	6.2	1.1	3.1	3.4	2.0	1.7	1.4	6.7	49.2	19.4
June Qr.														
1958	6.9	3.0	4.9	4.6	7.4(e)	(e)	2.3	1.7	1.6	(f)	(f)	8.2(f)	40.6	14.1
1959	7.1	2.9	4.7	4.2	6.8	1.2	2.6	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.1	6.1	41.7	14.2
1960	7.8	3.0	5.4	4.5	7.3	1.3	3.0	4.1	2.0	1.6	1.1	6.3	47.4	17.9
1961	8.3	3.2	5.3	4.5	7.3	1.3	2.9	3.8	1.8	1.7	1.2	6.2	47.5	16.0
1962	8.7	3.3	5.7	4.8	7.5	1.4	3.2	3.2	2.1	1.8	1.3	7.1	50.1	20.9

(a) Figures subsequent to June 1957 are subject to revision. (b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. Timber, Building Sheets, Tiles, Joinery, Cement). (c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (d) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc. (e) Footwear is included with Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings. (f) Chemists' Goods and Papers, Books, Stationery are included with Other Goods.

COMMODITIES PRODUCED

Item	Unit	JANUARY		Seven Months ended JANUARY	
		1963	1962	1963	1962
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	260	181	3,082	2,796
Bricks - Standard all types	'000	7,638	6,527	72,240	65,105
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	94	96	888	756
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yds.	1,425	1,790	11,222	14,636
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,212	1,548	17,820	15,415
Plaster of Paris	"	1,078	1,033	12,070	9,747
Ready-Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	29,874	25,857	258,032	223,040
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (a)	'000 super.ft.	13,507	13,810	110,540	114,379
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	853	341	5,567	4,565
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	2,891	3,215	33,663	31,091
Suits - Men's - 2 & 3 piece	number	497	640	6,588	9,772
Trousers - Men's - Sport - Work	"	7,894	5,996	67,211	57,266
	"	7,023	8,489	59,537	76,325
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	35,220	34,721	458,380	396,775
Slippers	"	4,134	4,364	74,538	63,414
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	785	1,014	3,660	3,600
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	36,329	56,057	192,095	198,617
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	568	536	5,534	4,560
Butter	"	901	824	12,558	13,919
Cheese	"	248	198	2,718	2,553
Flour (excl. Self-raising Flour)	ton (2,000 lb.)	10,076	11,974	76,902	91,023
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Acetic Sulphuric	ton	21	33	164	165
Coal	"	24,129	21,005	145,813	116,535
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh	102,155	97,435	533,506	538,071
Gas (Town) Produced	million			705,432	644,680
Mattresses - Soft Filled (b)	cub. ft.	101	92	837	844
Pig Iron	number	3,637	1,864	23,628	16,908
Superphosphate	ton	4,038	4,315	26,334	30,201
Wool-Scoured	"	71,328	59,638	413,943	318,286
	'000 lb.	2,545	2,681	18,328	19,048

(a) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super. feet.

(b) Includes mattresses of rubber, plastic foam and sponge, but excludes inner-spring mattresses.

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